

# West Tennessee Fair Housing Celebration



**April 15, 2016**

**8:30 AM – 3:30 PM  
Cecil Humphreys Law School  
University of Memphis  
One North Front Street  
Memphis, TN 38103  
Downtown Memphis**

## **Program**

**8:00 - 8:30 AM Registration & Refreshments**

**8:30 - 9:00 AM Opening Plenary**

### **Comments and Welcome Remarks**

**Congressman Steve Cohen  
Shelby County Mayor Luttrell  
Memphis Mayor Strickland  
HUD Field Office Director  
State of Tennessee  
Tennessee Human Rights Commission  
Tennessee Housing Development Agency**

**9:00 - 10:00 AM Plenary Session**

### **Fair Housing Issues and Challenges**

This will be an update which examines the laws and issues as well as provides options faced by persons with disabilities. A presentation on specific best practices and current regulatory concerns will be delivered in this session.

**10:00 - 10:15 AM Break**

**10:15 AM - 12:15 PM Plenary Session**

## **Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing**

Every public and private agency that receives Community Development Block Grant funds, FHIP or FHAP funds, Public Housing funding, HOME funds, housing counseling funds or related support from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has an obligation to “affirmatively further fair housing.” This session will focus on the new requirements for producing a quality Assessment of Fair Housing or AFH (formerly called an AI or Analysis of Impediments) and how to insure compliance with the Fair Housing Act and HUD’s AFFH rule. Discussions on strategies to develop effective collaborations in support of the statewide AFH will be made to achieve housing opportunities and reduce inequality.

**12:15 - 1:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 - 2:15 PM Keynote Plenary**

## **Stella Adams, Director of Civil Rights National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC)**

NCRC is a coalition of leaders from business, government, community non-profits, media and academia working on issues affecting America’s communities. Ms. Adams’ speech will cover NCRC’s role in consumer protection, age-friendly banking standards and practices, local responsible banking ordinances, and new opportunities for policy makers and practitioners on community issues. We will also hear about the recent HUD fair lending settlement involving First Tennessee Bank and NCRC.

**2:15 PM - Closing**

## **HUD/FHEO Update**

Hear about the latest in fair housing laws, issues/complaints, best practice strategies and enforcement priorities during the last year and into the future from HUD.